CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Jonathan Reiskind called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. He said that a quorum was not present, therefore, the Committee could discuss the agenda but not take any action.

It was a consensus of the Committee members present to discuss those agenda items which did not require any action.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Vice Chair Reiskind introduced himself and asked those present to introduce themselves.

IV. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Mr. Gerry Dedenbach, MTPO Senior Transportation Planner, announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for May 10. He said that the next CAC and MTPO Plan East Gainesville Subcommittee meetings are scheduled for May 23 and May 2 respectively.

D. COUNTY INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM (CIGP)

Mr. Dedenbach reported that Alachua County has stated that it is not going to apply for CIGP funds this year.
II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

ACTION: Doug Hornbeck moved to approve the meeting agenda. Matthew Hurst seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 7, 2001 MINUTES

ACTION: James Higman moved to approve the March 7, 2001 minutes. Sherwin Henry seconded; motion passed unanimously.

V. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED- LISTED IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE

A. SW 34th STREET RESURFACING (FROM ARCHER ROAD TO W UNIVERSITY AVENUE)

Mr. Dedenbach discussed the SW 34th Street resurfacing project.

The CAC discussed the Florida Department of Transportation’s (FDOT’s) proposed plans for roadway striping on SW 34th Street, from W University Avenue south to SW 2nd Avenue.

ACTION: Mike Wright moved to recommend that the MTPO:

1. approve the FDOT 30 percent plans for the resurfacing of SW 34th Street, from Archer Road to W University Avenue, with the understanding that funds to install the mastarm traffic will be included as part of the State Roads (SR) 26 and 26A projects.

2. request that FDOT eliminate the chicane at the northeast corner of SW 34th Street and SW 2nd Avenue.

Jan Frentzen seconded; motion passed four to three.

B. SW 24TH AVENUE CROSS SECTION (WEST OF 34TH STREET)

Mr. Dedenbach discussed the SW 24th Avenue and SW 38th Terrace cross sections. The CAC discussed the bicycle/pedestrian issues concerning SW 24th Avenue and SW 38th Terrace.

ACTION: James Higman moved to recommend that the MTPO:
1. adopt the SW 24th Avenue cross-section as presented by the Alachua County Public Works Department (ACPWD);
2. request that the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners not pursue the acquisition of additional right-of-way along SW 38th Terrace; and
3. maintain this corridor as a bicycle/pedestrian facility with the understanding that, in the future, the County may need to address constructing a roadway along this corridor.

Matthew Hurst seconded; motion passed unanimously.

C. MENTONE SIDEWALK PROJECT

Mr. John Sabatella, Alachua County Public Works Department Senior Planner, discussed the Mentone sidewalk project and answered questions.

The CAC discussed, but did not take any action concerning this issue.

E. TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM YEAR 2001 APPLICATIONS

Mr. Dedenbach discussed the Transportation Enhancement Program. He said that staff has been informed that there is a funding shortfall for the SR 26/26A project enhancements. He explained that the Committees could recommend that the list of unfunded projects be amended to include SR 26/26A project enhancements as the new number one priority.

The CAC discussed the Transportation Enhancement Program and funding issues concerning the SR 26 and 26A projects.

It was a consensus of the CAC to request that staff provide at the May 23 CAC meeting:

1. cost estimates for Priority Items 2a and 2b; and
2. the City of Gainesville’s application for SR 26/26A project enhancements.

ACTION: Matthew Hurst moved to recommend that the MTPO amend the Transportation Enhancement Program to insert SR 26/26A project enhancements after Item 2a. Doug Hornbeck seconded.

Doug Hornbeck called the question. Question call passed unanimously.

Motion passed seven to one.
F. MTPO DRAFT LETTER- WIDENING STATE ROAD 24 TO THE CITY OF ARCHER

Mr. Dedenbach stated that, at the February 15, 2001 MTPO meeting, Mr. Bruce Pagel, City of Archer Assistant City Manager, discussed the impacts of not funding the four-laning of Archer Road to the City of Archer. He said that, after discussing this issue, it was a consensus of the MTPO to request that staff research why the funding for the four-laning of Archer Road was moved to other projects. He reported that MTPO staff have prepared the draft response letter for the MTPO Chair to send to the City of Archer Mayor.

G. CHARRETTE RESERVE FUND

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the MTPO needs to make a policy decision whether the City and County should contribute $5,000 each year to the MTPO charrette fund, regardless of whether a charrette is conducted that year, or if the City and County should only make one $5,000 contribution and not contribute additional funding until an MTPO charrette is conducted. He noted that the City Commission has will budget $5,000 each year for charrette purposes, but will hold these funds in their general account until a charrette is held.

The CAC discussed, but did not take any action concerning this issue.

H. FISCAL YEAR 2000/2001 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, reviewed the UPWP and answered questions.

ACTION: James Higman moved to approve the UPWP. Jan Frentzen seconded; motion passed unanimously.

I. STATE ROAD 24 SPEED LIMIT

Mr. Dedenbach reviewed FDOT correspondence concerning speed limit issues on SR 24.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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Date Joseph N. Wilson, Chair